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SUBJ: VENEZUELAN TV COVERAGE SHLAUDEMANSWEARING-IN CEREMONY

FOR ARA/SHLAUDEMAN AND ARA/PF; USIA FOR ILA AND IMV

1. CHANNEL 4 ASSIGNING NEW DIRECTOR RAFAEL VELASQUEZ TO COVER  
SWEARING-IN AND INTERVIEW WITH SHLAUDEMAN AND FAMILY. COVERAGE WILL  
BE IN SPANISH. CHANNEL 4 PAYING TRAVEL. USIS IO YALE NEWMAN  
ARRIVING WASHINGTON TUESDAY TO COORDINATE CONTENT AND PRODUCTION.  
NEWMAN NEEDS APPOINTMENT WITH AMBASSADOR WEDNESDAY TO REVIEW QUESTIONS

AND DISCUSS PERSONAL PROFILE SEGMENT OF PROGRAM SUCH AS FAMILY,  
INTERESTS, HOBBIES. TOTAL PROGRAM LENGTH INCLUDING CEREMONIES  
WILL BE HALF HOUR.

2. CHANNEL 4 PROMISES PRIME TIME SHOWING AND AMPLE PROMOTION.

3. HERewith PROPOSED QUESTIONS FOR AMBASSADOR'S APPROVAL:

A. HAY UNA EVIDENTE CONFUSION EN TORNO AL PAPEL QUE DESEMPEÑO  
EN CHILE Y EN LA REPUBLICA DOMINICANA CON RESPECTO A LAS OPERACIONES  
DE LA CIA EN ESOS DOS PAISES. ESTUVO UD. O ESTA VINCULADO A ESE  
ORGANISMO?

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WE FEEL YOU SHOULD MEET THIS BASIC QUESTION HEAD ON MAKING IT CLEAR THAT YOU HAVE ALWAYS BEEN AN FSO; THAT YOU WERE PART OF DISENGAGEMENT PROGRAM UNDER AMBASSADOR BUNKER; THAT YOU HAD GOOD RELATIONS WITH ALLENDE AND MEMBERS OF HIS GOVERNMENT AND WERE TRANSFERRED THREE MONTHS PRIOR TO COUP.

B. SU DESIGNACION COMO EMBAJADOR EN CARACAS ORIGINO CIERTA OPOSICION TANTO EN VENEZUELA COMO EN SU PAIS, CUAL ES SU OPINION AL RESPECTO?

ANSWER TO NOTE THAT VOICES OF DISSENT ARE PART OF LONG TRADITION OF DEMOCRATIC SOCIETIES. WE IN U.S. WELCOME DISSENTING OPINIONS AND LOOK FOREWARD TO TIME WHEN CAN MEET WITH VARIOUS GROUPS, INCLUDING STUDENTS, TO DISCUSS DIFFERENCES IN BELIEF THAT DIALOGUE WILL CONTRIBUTE TO BETTER UNDERSTANDING.

C. ANTE LA NACIONALIZACION QUE HA ADELANTADO VENEZUELA, CUAL ES LA POSITION NORTEAMERICANA Y COMO VE EL FUTURO DE LAS INVERSIONES DE ESE PAIS EN VENEZUELA?

U.S. INVESTMENT WILL DEPEND ON THE NEEDS AND DESIRES OF THE HOST GOVERNMENT. BELIEVE WE HAVE MAJOR ROLE TO PLAY IN THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY IN INDUSTRY, SCIENCE, MEDICINE, AGRICULTURE.

D. EN EL PLANO DE LAS RELACIONES CULTURALES Y DE INTERCAMBIO DE ESTADOS UNIDOS CON VENEZUELA, QUE PROGRAMAS PROYECTA ADELANTAR?

DISCUSS IMPORTANCE OF CULTURAL EXCHANGES IN ARTS, MUSIC, EDUCATION AND SPORTS (BASEBALL IS A MAJOR SPORT HERE). THE GOV SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM IS A GOOD EXAMPLE OF WHAT CAN BE DONE ON A COOPERATIVE BASIS IN THE CULTURAL FIELD.

E. AMBASSADOR SHLAUDEMANN, ALTHOUGH THERE HAVE BEEN MANY STORIES ABOUT YOU IN OUR LOCAL PRESS, WE VENEZUELANANS KNOW VERY LITTLE ABOUT YOU PERSONALLY.

4. QUESTIONS TO FOLLOW ALONG LINES TO BE DISCUSSED WITH NEWMAN. ASECIO

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